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SUBJECT: NEA REGIONAL ENVIRONMENT OFFICE HOSTS NGO GRANT-WRITING  
WORKSHOP

1. (U) The NEA Regional Environment Office sponsored a one-day grant-writing workshop for the Jordanian environmental NGO community on July 22. The workshop trained 22 participants in the concrete skills of writing proposals for improved fundraising and NGO sustainability. The Regional Environment Office summer intern, Elissa Slotkin, developed, organized, and facilitated the workshop.

2. (U) The grant-writing workshop targeted representatives from Jordanian environmental NGO's, most of whom had no formal training in grant or proposal writing. The goal of the workshop was both to strengthen future proposals that the organizations hope to submit under the OES Initiative and to other donors, and to build the capacity of the NGO community in Jordan. The training focused on practical skill building, and participants spent the majority of the day practicing the mechanics of grant-writing in pairs. The workshop also facilitated first-time networking among participants and provided an opportunity for the Regional Environment Office to show its commitment to Jordanian civil society.

3. (U) The grant-writing handbook, with samples and interactive exercises, that our summer intern developed can be shared with other posts wishing to conduct similar training. Contact the NEA Regional Environment Office, Paul Malik or Rana Safadi, via unclassified Department email for copies of the materials.

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